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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 1998 March 29, applicant requests that the above application be amended as follows:

Claims:

Cancel all claims of record and substitute new claims 41 to 60, as follows.

41. In a firearm having a sear, a trigger, a triggerbar, and a firing element; a passive safety mechanism comprising:

- a. a blocking means to block said firing element; and
- b. a connecting means which connects said blocking means to said trigger;

characterized in that one of the means performs an additional function.

42. The passive safety mechanism of claim 41 wherein said connecting means connects said trigger to said triggerbar.

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